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In re Patent Application of :
Gutierrez-Roca, et al. :

Application No. 09/055,818 : Group Art Unit: 1611

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For: Oral Pharmaceutical Compositions Containing : Date: August 15, 2000
Taxanes and Methods of Treatment Employing :
the Same :
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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

RESPONSE

Sir:

This is in response to the restriction/election of species requirement, mailed February 14, 2000. A Petition for an extension of five months to respond, authorizing the Commissioner to charge the requisite fee and any other fees that may be due and owing to deposit account no. 12-1095, is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

Applicants hereby elect Group I, Claims 1-52, drawn to compositions. In response to the election of species requirement set forth in Paragraph 4, Applicants elect saturated polyglycolized glycerides. These elections are made with traverse. The Examiner's indication that other embodiments embraced by the claims would be examined is greatly appreciated.

Examination on the merits is now respectfully requested. The Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned if he has any other questions.

Respectfully submitted,

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